



# Dot Fun Times June 2025 Newsletter

## PARKS & BEACHES

June is here, and so is your Parks and Beaches Newsletter—your go-to guide for summer fun! Discover stunning natural escapes, explore the newest improvements, and gear up for an exciting lineup of events coming your way.



First Annual Murph workout at the Big Pine Key Community Park.

### Memorial Day Murph Workout



Our very first Murph Workout at BPK Community Park was truly unforgettable! A heartfelt thank you to Monroe County Fire Rescue and Monroe County Veterans Affairs for partnering with us to honor the fallen heroes and bring our community together. And hats off to every participant who came out and gave it their all—you made the day meaningful and inspiring.



### Upper Keys Sports



Congratulations to Upper Keys Little League!

## Grand Opening!

Come celebrate the Grand Opening of the Pickleball Courts at Blue Heron Park on June 20 at 4 PM! Enjoy an afternoon filled with friendly competition and fun on the courts.



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## Kicking off summer camp season!

Camp has gotten off to a solid start. We've had a range of activities, including field trips and guest speakers, and the first couple of weeks have offered a good mix of learning and fun. Kids are getting to know one another and starting to build memories together.



Monroe County Commissioner Holly Merrill Raschein and Parks and Beaches Director John Allen joined the family of Enos Mitchell on Wednesday to reveal a dedication plaque in his honor at Friendship Park. Enos passed away at 93 years old in 2023 and was known in the Key Largo community for his huge heart and volunteerism.



Summer camp offers kids a much-needed break from screens and routines, trading them for outdoor adventures, new friendships, and self-discovery. In a fun and encouraging setting, children develop confidence, independence, and teamwork skills that last far beyond the summer.

### Other completed projects:

- Harry Harris Pk new beachside restroom doors and water fountain
- Watson Field irrigation (in progress)
- Bernstein re-painting fire system
- Bernstein installed new pavers
- Bernstein trim palms for hurricane season
- Ramrod Park new signs installed
- Bernstein set up for Sheriff's Youth Camp
- Big Pine Park new water fountain installed
- Blue Heron added mulch and signs
- Higgs Beach installed new pickleball nets

### Upcoming projects:

- Add additional privacy fence at Old Settlers
- Bernstein re-paint playground
- Bernstein pressure wash building
- Key Largo Park pavilion repairs in progress
- Harry Harris playground repairs
- Big Pine Park install new scoreboard
- Astro City installing new playground equipment
- New fence nets and post throughout
- Wilhelmina Park replacing playground slide

## Current Events

### Key Largo Park

The Florida Keys Children's Shelter  
FREE Pickleball Tournament  
7/12 from 8am-12pm

Jacobs Aquatic Center  
Summer Camp  
Ends 8/12 (fees & age vary)

### Plantation Key Community Center

JOY Group Classes  
Tuesdays and Wednesdays  
8am-5pm

Specialty Summer Camps  
9am-5pm  
7/28-8/1 and 8/4-8/8

### Big Pine Community Center

Social Services Senior Citizen  
Center/Meal Site  
Weekdays  
12:00 pm-1:00 pm

### Bernstein Park

Summer Camp  
9am-5pm  
7/21-7/25 & 7/28-8/1

Special Olympics Camp  
7/7-7/11 (fees & age vary)

English Classes for  
Creole Speakers - MONTHLY  
3rd Tuesday and Wednesday  
6-8pm



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